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SUMMARY OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING #3 CROSS CUTTING ISSUES TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ARIZONA CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY GROUP March 10, 2006

Attendance:

1. Workgroup members:

Sandy Bahr, Sierra Club

Roger Clark, Grand Canyon Trust

Scott Davis for Ed Fox, APS

Richard Hayslip, Salt River Project

Ursula Kramer, Pima County Dept of Environmental Quality

Gaye Knight for Karen O'Regan, City of Phoenix

Steve Owens, Arizona Dept of Environmental Quality

Jeff Schlegel, SWEEP

Penny Allee Taylor, Southwest Gas

2. ADEQ Staff:

Kurt Maurer and Marnie Greenbie

3. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS):

Tom Peterson and Ken Colburn

4. Other Attendees:

Kate Widland, Salt River Project Brian O'Donnell, Southwest Gas

Background documents:

(all posted at: www.azclimatechange.us/template.cfm?FrontID=4846

- 1. Notice & Agenda
- 2. Powerpoint presentation for meeting
- 3. Summary of March 3, 2006 CC TWG call

Discussion items and key issues:

- 1. Members approved without objection the summary from the March 3, 2006, conference call.
- 2. Tom Peterson and Ken Colburn of CCS led members through a continued discussion on state greenhouse gas (GHG) goals. Tom presented several GHG goal scenarios that members had requested on the previous call (see Powerpoint presentation for Call #3 at http://www.azclimatechange.us/ewebeditpro/items/O40F8008.pdf).
 - <u>Scenario 1</u> reflected what AZ may experience if comparable level of effort employed by Northeast and West Coast states were used here.
 - Scenario 2 the New England Governors' targets applied to AZ.
 - Scenario 3 a series of 50% GHG growth rate cuts that vary by 1990 and 2000 start years.
 - <u>Scenario 4</u> a comparison of the 50% growth rate cuts and levels of effort used by the Northeast and West Coast states indexed against a 2000 start year.
 - <u>Scenario 5</u> a graduated GHG rate cut that starts with a 25% cut in 2010 emissions from a 2000 year start, and proceeds to a 50% cut in emissions from a 2000 start.
 - Scenario 6 a variation of Scenario 5 showing actual tons of CO2e being reduced.
 - <u>Scenario 7</u> another variation of Scenario 5 showing a comparison of the 25%-50% GHG growth rate cut versus a simple 50% cut.
- 3. Members discussed presenting four scenarios to the CCAG at the March 17, 2006 meeting that would illustrate the range of potential goal-setting and GHG reduction capabilities. Members agreed to present Scenarios #2, #4, #7 and a fourth scenario that Jeff Schlegel proposed be developed to show maintenance of an average zero growth in 2006 GHG levels by 2020.
- 4. Ken Colburn provided an overview of registries and reporting. He explained that a reporting mechanism is used to implement registries. Reporting is a measure of GHG emissions, whereas a registry is a record of GHG reduction activity. He touched on the key technical and policy issues related to both.
- 5. Members on the call agreed in concept that reporting and registries make sense and the work group should explore more fully how a registry system might be implemented in Arizona, either by taking part in an existing registry or developing a concept of our own. Members directed CCS to assist the work group in developing criteria, values and goals for a registry and lay the framework for what a desirable registry/reporting system would be.
- 6. In response to a question from Kate Widland of SRP, Steve Owens briefly touched on the Southwest Climate Initiative that Govs. Napolitano and Richardson of New Mexico recently announced. He said the document signed by the governors formalizes the information sharing, idea exchanges and other collaborations that have been occurring between the states, which both have advisory group processes underway to result in

recommendations for reducing GHG emissions in their respective states. Owens said that the initiative is not intended in any way to influence the actions or outcomes of either state's advisory group process.

Next steps:

- 1. The next CC TWG call will be Thursday, March 30, from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. The focus of the discussion will be to review feedback from the CCAG with respect to the goal-setting proposals and to continue discussion of how a reporting and registry system could be implemented in Arizona.
- 2. The CCAG will hold its fourth meeting on March 17, 2006, at Salt River Project headquarters, 1521 N. Project Drive, Tempe from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.